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COLOGNE RAILWAY CONTROVERSY.

German Prince Arrested.

(Rauter's Service.)

London, February 28.

Two questions disturbing Anglo-French relations are still unsettled, namely the use of the Cologne railway lines and the French confiscation of 12½ milliards of marks en route to Cologne from Berlin. According to Paris correspondents, negotiations on the former question are approaching a rupture owing to the irreconcilability of the French demand for permission virtually to take over the whole main railway system during the busiest part of the day, and the British stipulation that the railways shall only be used in great emergencies. The local military authorities will probably refer the difficulty to London and Paris for fresh instructions. The question of the confiscation of marks is even more serious, for sixty-seven millions of this sum was destined for the British army, and the balance was largely for use in the British zone. Hitherto there is no indication of the French releasing the money.

Paris, February 28.

A message from Dusseldorf says a German attached to the Franco-Belgian commission of control in Essen was attacked in the street. A French patrol was rushed up and arrested the aggressor, including Prince Wilhelm Friedrich Von Lippe, the well-known sportsman in Upper Silesia. Papers in his possession showed that he belonged to a secret Nationalist association. The Prince's residence was searched.

Dusseldorf, February 28.

French troops forcibly entered the police barracks at Bochum and disarmed the security police.

Stricter French Measures.

London, February 28.

The customary daily list of expulsions and arrests followed counter-measures on the part of Germany in announced form. The Rhine frontier, notably at Offenbach, where the Governor and head of the Gendarmerie were arrested for disobeying the French. Thereupon the gendarmes left their posts and they will also be arrested and court-martialed.

A Cologne message says regulations have been issued by the Rhine High Commission substantially increasing the penalties for infractions of ordinances made by the Commission. For example, anyone likely to cause loss of life is made punishable by death and less serious cases at least ten years' imprisonment.

Dusseldorf, February 28.

General Degoutte has signed a decree levying a tax on Ruhr coal and providing for the compulsory assessment of mines, whose managers decline to make the declarations prescribed under German law. Special penalties are provided in order to assure collection of the tax. The general prohibition of exports is maintained.

AUSTRIA'S FINANCES IMPROVED.

Success of League Scheme.

London, February 28.

The highly gratifying improvement in the condition of the Austrian finances, and the country's internal conditions, were described by Sir Henry Strakosch, of the League of Nations, in the course of a Reuters interview. He announced the success of the first public issue in Britain by Austria under the League of Nations scheme, amounting to eighteen hundred thousand sterling yearly Treasury Bills, forming part of a total issue of three and a half million sterling, of which the balance would be subscribed by continental nations.

He added that an unexpectedly quick improvement had set in since November, when the Austrian Government had agreed to the League of Nations plan, involving drastic internal and financial reforms. Austrian money had now been completely stabilized. The League plan provides for budgetary equilibrium within two years, and it is now estimated that the deficit has already been halved. The Government's requirements to January 31st. had been satisfied from home resources. Confidence is returning, and bank deposits are increasing rapidly.

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

Washington, February 28.

In pursuance of the Foreign Relations Committee's decision, the chairman, Mr. Lodge, conferred with President Harding to ask for further information as to the positions regarding the International Court of Justice. Subsequently Mr. Lodge said it was hardly likely the President would respond to the Committee's request before the adjournment of Congress.

KELANTAN'S STATUS.

London, February 28.

In the House of Commons at question time Mr. MacNeill said the Government did not regard the Anglo-Siam treaty of 1909 or the agreement with the Rajah of Kelantan of 1910 as derogating from the sovereignty of the Kelantan Government. It recognised Kelantan as an independent sovereign state.

CANADA'S DRUG FIENDS.

Ottawa, February 28.

Government statistics show that there are 9,500 drug addicts in Canada, of whom 7,000 are in the "wet" Province of Quebec and British Columbia. It is pointed out that Montreal and Vancouver are only the headquarters of the traffic, which is in the hands of the Chinese, of whom 35 have been deported.

THE DRUG TRAFFIC.

London, February 28.

The House of Commons passed the second reading of the Dangerous Drugs and Poisons Bill, giving the authorities increased powers for dealing with illicit traffic in drugs and increasing the penalties to a maximum of ten years' penal servitude and a fine of £1,000.

POISONED CHOCOLATES CASE.

London, February 28.

The Judge at the Old Bailey has found Walter Tatum, accused of attempting to poison Sir William Horwood on November 9th, or fix to plead, and has ordered that he be detained at His Majesty's pleasure.

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SECOND DAY OF RACES.

IDEAL DAHLIA WINS THE DERBY.

BEATS KING HENRY BY A HEAD

To-day is Derby Day for Hongkong, and with the fine weather prevailing, promises to prove one of the most successful such days for years to come. With the large number of entries, and the keen spirit of the previous day, the crowd attending to-day was naturally a big one, and interest in the event, particularly the big race, ran high.

As yesterday's results show, the meeting opened very successfully, with fine sport, several close finishes, and an occasional big dividend for lucky backers. That popular veteran of the local turf, Sir Paul Chater, was the most successful owner, the Dahlias bringing him six first places, three seconds, and two thirds. This was far and away the best performance of his, the next best being one first and two second places to Mr. Hector Sassoon, Messrs. Moller, Vida and Hill were the jockeys of the day, each with three winning mounts to his credit, the first two also having a second place apiece, with two third places each to Mr. Moller and Mr. Hill. Orient Dahlias brought her backers the best dividend of the day—£215.60. One of the best-riden races was the Fochow Cup, Mr. Hill's riding of Invincible King being a fine exhibition of horsemanship and correct judgment.

The band of H.M.S. Hawkins was in attendance to-day and rendered an enjoyable programme.

Just before the start of the first race, Old Monkeynuts threw his rider (Mr. Lowan) and did not run in this event.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs arrived just before the Derby race.

There were seven starters for the Derby, and the race was a very open aspect. The result—a win for Ideal Dahlia—came as a surprise, although after his good showing in the Trial Plate yesterday this pony was fancied in some quarters, at least for a place, though there were doubts in the minds of others whether he could do the mile and half. Roman Victory was a warm favourite, but as events turned out, he did not even get a place. As to the race itself, after a false start the ponies got away with Valiant Dahlia taking the lead, which he held nearly all the way round, the favourite, Roman Victory, being in fourth place. On entering the home straight, the ponies were well bunched, being noticed that Valiant Dahlia had lost the lead. There was a hot race home, during which Ideal Dahlia, splendidly ridden by Soares, forced ahead and got the verdict by a neck from King Henry, whilst Valiant Dahlia was another neck away third. It was a most exciting finish, and both Sir Paul Chater and Mr. Soares were given an ovation as the winner was led in.

Harriet King, much fancied by some, was a rather slow owing to lameness. Besides the placed ponies, the Derby starters were Korean Star (Doyle), Orient Dahlias (Moller), Roman Victory (Hill) and Roman Standard (Gibson).

1.—THE JOCKEY CUP.—Winner £200. Second £100. Third £100. A Cup to the winning Jockey. For China Ponies, that have started in and never won an official flat race and for Subscription Grifins of this Meeting, to be ridden by Jockeys who have not won more than two official flat races in Hongkong and China. Once round.

Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Wild Thyme (Gibson) 1
Mr. L. Nelson's Nanyang Scout (Kelton) 2
Mr. Graham's Autumn Time (Harriman) 3

There were nine starters. Won by three lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 56.4/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £6.21.
Places:—£5.70; £7.70; £23.50.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 324 1st. £1,045.00
48 2nd. £310.00
169 3rd. £155.00
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £375.00
£5 Tickets ... £12,125.00
671, 323.

2.—THE EXCHANGE PLATE.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value £1,000 to Winner. Second to receive £200 and Third £100. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and in.

Mr. H. Sassoon's Roman Warrior (Gibson) 1
Sir Paul's Honest Dahlia (Vida) 2
Sir Paul's Septic Dahlia (Moller) 3

There were eight starters. Won by three lengths, two lengths between second and third.
Time:—2 min. 16.3/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £7.90.
Places:—£3.70; £5.50; £8.20.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 459 1st. £1,435.70
215 2nd. £210.00
488 3rd. £205.10
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £690.00
£5 Tickets ... £7,200.00
235 Tickets:—£21,370.39, 479 23.

3.—THE HONGKONG DERBY.—A Sweepstakes of £20 each with £2,000 added. For China Ponies, born fide Grifins on date of entry. First Pony to receive 75 per cent. Second 20 per cent. Third 10 per cent. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 5 flat races in Hongkong or China, or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. One Mile and a Half.

Sir Paul's Ideal Dahlia (Soares) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King Henry (Dalgarno) 2
Sir Paul's Valiant Dahlia (Vida) 3

There were seven starters. Won by a head, a like distance separating second and third.
Time:—3 min. 13.2/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £32.50.
Places:—£15.70; £17.50; £10.60.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 240 1st. £9,979.25
18 2nd. £2,351.20
366 3rd. £1,425.50
£50 Tickets and Commission ... £4,064.80
£100 Tickets ... £18,320.00
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4.—THE SUBSCRIPTION GRIFINS CHALLENGE CUP.—Value £1,000. For Subscription Grifins of this Season. To be won two years consecutively by Ponies the bona fide property of the same owner of owners. Winner to receive £500 and 70 per cent. Second £200 and 20 per cent. Third £100 and 10 per cent. of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won when the Second Pony 25 per cent. of the Entrance Fees in addition to the place money. One Mile and a Quarter.

Sir Paul's Diadem Dahlia (Vida) 1
Sir Paul's Dainty Dahlia (Moller) 2
Mr. H. Sassoon's Roman Warrior (Gibson) 3

There were seven starters. Won by two lengths, six lengths between second and third.
Time:—2 min. 53.2/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £6.90.
Places:—£3.30; £5.50; £7.60.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 741 1st. £2,130.80
312 2nd. £618.80
400 3rd. £304.40
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £886.00
£5 Tickets ... £9,979.25
25 Tickets:—£10,649, 468, 630.

5.—THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Presented by His Excellency the Governor, with £500 added for Winner. Second £200. Third £100. For China Ponies. Five Furlongs. Sir Paul's Sportman Dahlia (Vida) 1

Messrs. Stephen & Stitt's Benz (Crotam) 2
Mr. H. Sassoon's Roman Warrior 3

There were ten starters. Won by a length and a half, half a length between second and third.
Time:—1 min. 14.3/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £16.90.
Places:—£4.90; £5.90; 7.60.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 372 1st. £3,503.50
642 2nd. £1,401.00
62 3rd. £500.50
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,470.00
£5 Tickets ... £6,475.00
1151, 745, 1204, 577.

6.—THE LUSITANO CUP.—Presented by the Members of the Club Lusitano. For China Ponies born fide Grifins on date of entry, with £500 added. Second £200. Third £100. One Mile.

Lady Chater's Pinguin (Vida) 1
Sir Paul's Satisfaction Dahlia (Moller) 2
Messrs. Leitch & Moller's Prior Muir (Doyle) 3

There were 12 starters. Won by a length and a half, two lengths between second and third.
Time:—2 min. 09 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £16.10.
Places:—£7.50; £6.20; £3.60.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1163 1st. £3,653.30
342 2nd. £1,441.00
187 3rd. £521.50
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,585.60
£5 Tickets ... £6,895.00
223, 931, 1304, 499, 474, 520, 102, 1072, 1015.

7.—THE CHALLENGE CUP.—Value One hundred Guineas. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner to receive £750 and 70 per cent. Second £200 and 20 per cent. Third £100 and 10 per cent. of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won when the Second Pony will receive 75 per cent. of the Entrance Fees in addition to the place money. One Mile and three quarters.

Sir Paul's Empire Dahlia (Moller) 1
Messrs. Potts and Hayman's Allied King (Hill) 2
Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Wild Thyme (Crotam) 3

There were five starters. Won by one and half lengths, a length separating second and third.
Time:—3 min. 51.4/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £7.90.
Places:—£5.90; £7.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 816 1st. £3,561.00
441 2nd. £1,044.00
57 3rd. £52.00
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,370.00
£5 Tickets ... £6,500.00
25 Tickets:—£460, 793.

In this race an objection was lodged, and sustained, for crossing, against Empire Dahlia, the race being awarded to Allied King.

8.—THE ROYAL NAVY CUP.—Presented by the Officers of H.M.'s Navy, with £500 added to the Winner. Second £200. Third £100. For Subscription Grifins of this Season. From the Two Miles Post Once Round and in.

Mr. H. Bi Kent's Rider's Star (Hill) 1
Mr. Ferdinand's Royal Conqueror (Soares) 2
Mr. John Peel's West River (Zill-nky) 3

There were six starters. Won by two lengths, many lengths separating second and third.
Time:—2 min. 21 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £7.20.
Places:—£5.30; £5.30; £6.40.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 425 1st. £3,486.70
827 2nd. £995.80
171 3rd. £498.10
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,339.00
£5 Tickets ... £5,320.00
25 Tickets:—£1,139, 495, 80.

9.—THE "BLACK ROCK" STAKES.—Winner £200. Second £100. Third £50. For China Ponies born fide Grifins on date of entry. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Dynasty's King Johnnie (Dalgarno) 1
Messrs. Stephen & Stitt's Simple Pete (Crotam) 2
Mr. H. Sassoon's Roman Standard (Hill) 3

There were eight starters. Won by a length and a half, one length between second and third.
Time:—2 min. 42.4/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £61.20.
Places:—£11.10; £18.80; £7.50.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 343 1st. £1,939.30
419 2nd. £339.80
688 3rd. £419.90
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,206.00
£5 Tickets ... £5,405.00
25 Tickets:—£679, 111, 843, 397, 347.

10.—THE GYMKHANA CUP.—Value £500 to the Winner. Second £200. Third £100. For All China Ponies that have started for Races at least two Gymkhanas during the Season 1922 and Subscription Grifins of this Season 1922-1923. Winners at Meeting barred Three quarters of a Mile.

Mr. Dynasty's Spotted Sand (Dalgarno) 1
Mr. Henry Humphrey's Speckled Mouse (Doyle) 2
Mr. H. Sassoon's Roman Warrior (Gibson) 3

There were six starters. Won by two lengths, a length and a half between second and third.
Time:—1 min. 31.3/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £4.40.
Places:—£3.40; £5.90; £8.90.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 740 1st. £2,809.10
9 2nd. £392.60
779 3rd. £401.30
£25 Tickets and Commission ... £1,097.00
£5 Tickets ... £5,110.00
25 Tickets:—£95, 193, 591.

11.—THE PEKING PLATE.—Winner £200. Second £100. Third £50. For Subscription Grifins of this Season 1922-1923. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. John Peel's Yellow River (Zill-nky) 1
Mr. Ferdinand's Royal Oak (Remedios) 2
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Gallowgate (Hill) 3

There were seven starters. Won by a length and a half, one length between second and third.
Time:—3 min. 31.3/5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner, £11.80.
Places:—£5.40; £5.80; £5.50.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 237 1st. £2,853.20
807 2nd. £817.20
394 3rd. £407.60
£5 Tickets and Commission ... £1,144.00
£5 Tickets ... £5,200.00
25 Tickets:—£32, 945, 910, 169.

TENANCY NOT ENDED BY DEATH.

Death of a tenant does not end tenancy under the Rents Restriction Act, and his substitution cannot be ordered to quit. That is the effect of a decision in a King's Bench Divisional Court in a case concerning a flat in Green-side-road, Crondon. The original tenant, when dying, let the flat to a sub-tenant, and Crondon County Court gave the landlord an order for possession.

"This point is of great importance," said Mr. Justice McCardie recently, "having regard to the wide scope of the Rent Act and the frequent occurrences of death."

On the death of Miss Riggs the tenancy did not by that fact come to an end. The administrator of Miss Riggs acquired the continuing interest of Miss Riggs in the tenancy at common law."

Mr. Justice Bailhache concurred and the appeal was allowed with costs.

Appeal Court Decides Rents Act Puzzle.

FINAL EDITION

SHANGHAI STRIKE POSTPONED.

But Labour in Dangerous Mood.

COMMUNIST RULE SCHEMED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, March 1st.

Owing to drastic preventive measures by the Chinese military authorities and the foreign Police Departments, the threatened general strike, set for March 2nd, will not materialize.

The labour organizations are fearful of "losing face" if the strike is unsuccessful and have decided to delay action.

It is apparent, however, that the labour organizations are in a dangerous mood, and police officials here believe they will be the biggest factor in the impending annual summer war, when they are expected to line up with certain military leaders in an effort to establish Communist rule in several provinces.

Unquestionably the labour leaders here are negotiating with Moscow for the promotion of agitation in China during the spring.

The police raided the office of the *Labourers' Guild Weekly*, a wild Socialist paper, to-day. They arrested one man and seized a supply of seditious literature.

SUN AND THE TROOPS.

Move Against Chan King-ming.

A Canton correspondent says it is reported that Dr. Sun intends to select certain detachments from the Yunnan and Cantonese forces to clear out Chan King-ming's forces from the north-eastern part of the province before Sun begins to carry out his scheme for the conversion of troops into labour corps.

Dr. Sun has despatched four special officials to inspect the citizen soldiers in the various districts, with instructions that only those who possess modern rifles are to continue as soldiers, the others to be converted into labour battalions.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Douglas Fairbanks is appearing at the Coronet Theatre.—Page 12.

The Swatow Lacc Co. have opened premises at 17a, Queen's Road, central.—Page 4.

Carter, the world-famous illusionist is appearing at the Theatre Royal.—Page 4.

For particulars of forthcoming auction sales refer to page 4.

The H.K.V.D.C. rifle meeting takes place on the 4th inst.—Page 4.

There will be a dance at the Palace Hotel on the 3rd inst.—Page 4.

"LISTEN. Advertise in the way the customer wants you to. Daily nurse or companion is required.—Page 4.

A well-known theatrical company will visit Hongkong in the near future.—Page 4.

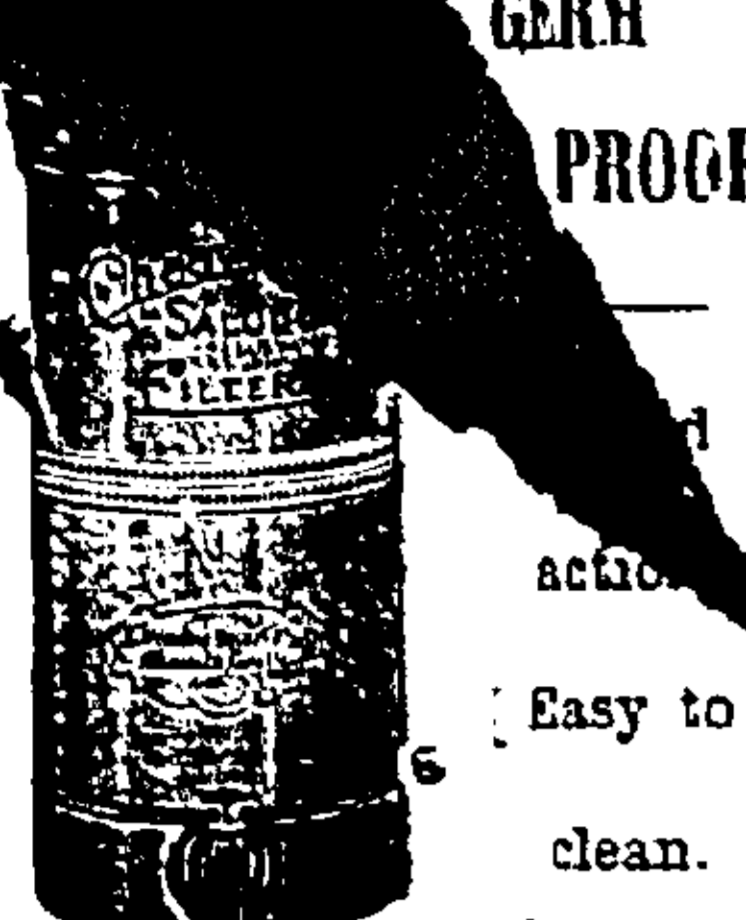
"The Misleading Widow" is the title of the current attraction at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.

Several well-known race ponies will be sold by public auction by Messrs. Hughes and Hough on the 1st inst.—Page 4.

Mary Miles Winter is appearing at the World Theatre—Her Winning way.—Page 12.

To-day's Exchange. The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 3 3/16d. Lighting-Up Time to-day 6.27 p.m.

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11th, Wing Lo. 8th out.

"OLO" CUSTOM.
Chinese Characteristic Make-Believe.

Peking, Feb. 18.—The manner in which the Chinese are celebrating the Chinese New Year in the capital illustrates how they cling to their old customs. The Gregorian calendar was one of the first things that was adopted by the Republic, but the Gregorian New Year is only taken advantage of for obtaining a holiday, the people clinging to old traditions by celebrating their lunar New Year. The people still consider this period the one on which all accounts must be settled, but the unfortunate financial condition of the Government preventing it from paying the officials and other employees, the arrears of pay due them have, in hundreds of instances, prevented this from being carried out.

Chinese Camouflage.
This morning I walked around the native city and could not help but be impressed by the number of business men who were carrying a lighted lantern, calling upon their creditors and attempting to collect their debts. The carrying of the lighted lantern is a typical Chinese camouflage. No one is supposed to attempt to collect a debt on the first of the year, and not to infringe this point in business etiquette, the lighted lantern is carried to pretend that it is last night, the last day of the old year. Both parties know that they are fooling each other, but they accept the situation with due solemnity. When the creditor and debtor meet, they exchange no New Year greetings, usual on this day, they talk their business over and at parting each will give his best wishes for the morning as if the day had not already arrived. To the foreigner this make-believe is amusing, particularly so when rich and powerful merchants are acting the farce.

Doling Out Wages.
So far, the Government has been successful in avoiding any trouble, although all sorts of pessimistic rumors have been in circulation. The money secured from the Salt and Customs revenues released by the foreign banks was sufficient to pay the local police and soldiery, and what was left over was paid out to the Government employees. These employees are still many months behind in their pay. The lucky ones were paid the current month's salary, while others were only paid fifty per cent. of the current month's salary. It must not be thought for a moment that because this festival is passing off quietly the Government's financial position has been enhanced. It merely means that the Government was successful in securing funds to prevent disorder by paying the police and soldiery. This has been the same thing for the past few years, and when it is stated that China has tided over the Chinese New Year, it means that the police and soldiery have been paid. None of her foreign and native obligations has been met, and China is still a defaulter on the foreign financial market.

Subdued Festivities.
Despite the fact that the Government is so much in debt, it is able to festoon the street with gaily colored lanterns and to erect ornate and artistic "pavilions" (arches) at different points of the city. Many thousands of dollars must have been spent in this manner. To a certain extent, this New Year is a pathetic one, for while an attempt is being made to celebrate the occasion, the lack of money has

ANOTHER LITTLE WAR.
To Oust Sun Yat-sen.

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—It is reported from Kiangsi that Tsai Shing-buen's representative (Fong Pun-yah), Shum Hung-ying's representative (Wang Shung) and Chan Kwing-ming's representative (Pang Wan-chu) held a conference at Kanchow. Shum Hung-ying and Chan Kwing-ming agreed to co-operate against Sun Yat-sen. Pang Wan-chu laid down the following conditions:—(1) Request the Central Government to issue a mandate reorganising the Cantonese troops and supplying funds and ammunition; (2) Request Kiangsi to render every possible assistance; (3) Nominate Lim Fu as director of Chan's force to commence operations against Sun Yat-sen; (4) Request Kiangsi to allow him room for retirement if defeated. The above were accepted by Fong Pun-yah.—Tsui Wan Yat Po.

Peking, Feb. 23.—It is reported from Szechuan that Tan Hsi-bao's forces were defeated at Kienchow. Liu Chang-shun is now able to take the offensive.

Representatives of Wu Pei-fu, Shen Hung-ying and other military commanders in conference at Hankow are reported to be discussing an invasion of Szechuan. Wu Pei-fu is reported to have agreed to the pardoning of the Anfuite Li Shih-hao.—Reuter.

CHINESE STUDENTS IN GERMANY.

Peking, Feb. 27.—The Chinese Legation at Berlin has informed the Education Ministry that owing to the fall in the Mark the prices of commodities have risen remarkably, so that self-supporting Chinese students in Germany find their money exhausted very quickly. The legation requests the Ministry of Education to draw the attention of would-be students in Germany that they must take ample funds with them to Germany.—Courtesy of Daily Bulletin.

CHINA'S SUPPERFLOUS TROOPS.

Disbandment Efforts.
Shanghai, Feb. 23.—On 26th inst., President Li, in reply to Sun Yat-sen, congratulated him for his organization of a Commission for disbanding troops. The Diplomatic Corps will, in a friendly manner, warn China to disband troops, pursuant to the decisions of the Washington Conference.—Tsui Wan Yat Po.

CHINA'S DIPLOMATS.

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—Dr. Wellington Koo and Mr. Alfred Sze will return to their posts of Ministers to Britain and America respectively. The Secretary of the Chinese Legation in Sweden will be appointed Charge d'Affairs to Poland.—Tsui Wan Yat Po.

resulted in the dinner parties being smaller, and all other celebrations being carried out on a much smaller scale than usual.—Shanghai Times.



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Shanghai, Feb. 28.
The China Press understands that the Sin Life Assurance Company of Canada will shortly absorb the China Mutual and Shanghai Life Insurance Companies.—Reuter.

CHINESE BANKERS TO CONFER.

Peking, Feb. 28.—The Chinese Bankers' Association is planning a conference, representing all China, on 16th April.—Reuter.

RAILWAY BRIDGE DAMAGED.

Peking, Feb. 28.—A break has occurred in the bridge on the Kiao-chow-Tsinaifu railway. The Chiao Tung-pu has despatched an investigator.—Reuter.

HOME FOOTBALL.

(Reuter's Service.)
London, Feb. 27.
The following are the latest results for the Scottish Cup:
Celtic..... 1 St Mirren..... 0
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THE DAVIS CUP.

Tokyo, Feb. 29.—Japan has challenged for the Davis Cup. Kumazai, Shimizu, Kashio and Fukuda will represent her.—Reuter.

EARLIER PROGRAMS

RUBBER RESTRICTION.
Washington, Feb. 23.
The Rubber Tyre and Automobile Accessories Manufacturers' Conference has passed a resolution favouring the repeal of the British colonies' increased duties on rubber exports. It also agreed to co-operate with the United States Government in ascertaining the feasibility of developing new sources of rubber in American insular possessions. A committee was appointed to co-operate with British manufacturers to secure repeal of the British restrictive laws, which it is alleged British manufacturers are most anxious to bring about. Secretary for Agriculture Wallace stated that further investigation into rubber growing was dependent upon a Congressional appropriation.

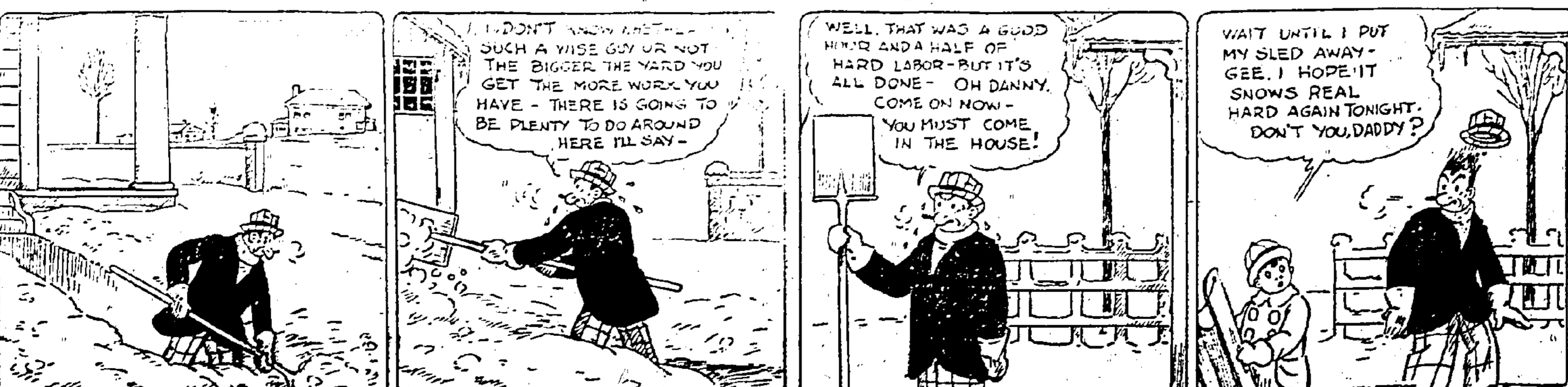
RUHR OCCUPATION.
Cologne, Feb. 23.
A train from Aix-la-Chapelle, which had been switched on to the wrong line, crashed into a stationary train at Dueren. The first two coaches were telescoped, and it is reported that twenty-two people were killed. Another train has been derailed near Coblenz owing to tampering with the signals. There were no casualties. The signalman has been arrested. The Inter-Allied Rhineland Commission has suspended the Frankfurter Zeitung, for three months.

IRELAND'S DISORDERS.
London, Feb. 23.
In a debate in the Dail, Mr. Cosgrave said the most conservative estimate of the damage throughout Ireland due to the disturbances was £40,000,000. The proportion in Dublin was £4,000,000.

CANADA'S WIRELESS.
Ottawa, Feb. 23.
The Government has granted permission to the Canadian Marconi Company to erect a wireless station at Vancouver with a range of seven thousand miles, for the purpose of communicating with Australia, Japan and Montreal.

THE BANK OF CHINA.
Opens Business in New Shanghai Premises.
The Bank of China on Feb. 20 officially opened business in its new premises, the former German Club on the Bund at Shanghai, which has cost over \$1,000,000. The building has been overhauled and renovated and with Chinese flags fluttering over the doorway presented an imposing and distinctive appearance among the other commercial buildings from which it differs so greatly in architecture. The building has many modern and extensive features which will rank the bank, in equipment, among the foremost banks in Shanghai. The general banking departments are on the first floor and there is a special department for handling Government bonds and securities, the bank being the local Government agents. All the usual departments are to be found there, and a feature is a reception room of beautiful design. The fountain and the marble staircase which so distinguished the first floor of the German Club in its halcyon days have been retained, and in the upper section, besides special offices and chambers, there is a club-room for the employees. Adjoining the club in Jinke Road a building to serve as vaults has been erected. In its capacious depths \$50,000,000 in silver may be stored.

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HONGKONG LABOUR.

Amalgamation of Unions.

The proposal to form a single union to supplant the two existing general labour associations in Hongkong is attracting many seemingly ardent supporters. The project was once more discussed at a meeting of the Kwong Tong Tong (General Labour Union) on Tuesday night, at which representatives of the labour guilds which belong to neither of the two general associations were more in number than at the meeting on Sunday last. A good deal of interest arose over the representation of the Engineers' Institute and nine other guilds which had hitherto maintained an independent attitude and have often held aloof from the work of the Kwong Tong Tong and the Hong Kong General Labour Union. This fresh combination is said to have expressed its willingness to help in bringing about the formation of a parent body.

At Tuesday's meeting four leaders were appointed to present a petition to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs soliciting his permission for the formation of a temporary society to make the necessary arrangements. These representatives handed the petition to an assistant in the Secretary for Chinese Affairs yesterday morning and were told that a reply would be given after the petition had been considered by the Hon. Mr. R. L. Hallifax, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

As stated in this paper on Tuesday, the closing of the Hip Tong Guild, bakers, house-keepers and others, and the Hongkong Wuchow Steamers' Union was discussed at the meeting. Representatives from both guilds explained the circumstances leading to the suppression of their unions.

A proposal was made that a petition, to be signed by all labour unions in the colony, be forwarded to the Government entreating them to permit the reopening of the closed guilds. The proposal was negatived on a suggestion being made that the two guilds should first themselves endeavour to obtain the sanction of the Government. It was also suggested that the two guilds should elect new officers and then approach the authorities.

A JAVA DRAMA.

Friend Mistaken for Burglar.

A terrible drama, terminating in a fatal tragedy, was enacted in Sourabaya early in February.

The heer Mittelmeier, employed at the government railway office, had for some time been accommodating an unemployed friend from Australia, a certain Laufer, in his house and they both shared the same bedroom. At about 3.30 that morning Laufer wished to leave the room and happened to be just at the door opening when Mittelmeier awoke, saw Laufer's silhouette and, believing him to be a thief, grasped his revolver and fired point blank at the unfortunate man, who sank to the ground mortally wounded.

The victim was immediately transported to the hospital, but died a few hours later.

The heer Mittelmeier was taken up by the police authorities the very next morning and the resultant investigation clearly proved that there was absolutely no question of any premeditated assault. The relations between himself and his victim had always been of the best.

A couple of years ago Mittelmeier's house was broken into and all his savings robbed, and that so frightened him that the fear of a further violation of his property had grown to be almost an obsession with him, this perhaps explaining his immediate action on being confronted with the figure at the doorway.

The heer Mittelmeier was liberated after the investigation. His victim was 50 years of age and unmarried.

POLICE PROSECUTE THEMSELVES.

At Aldershot Police Court, the other day Superintendent Davis summoned one of his own police-sergeants for having allowed the chimney of the police office to catch fire. The Superintendent explained that he should really have summoned himself, but the sergeant was in charge of the office, and so accepted responsibility. The Bench dismissed the case on payment of costs.

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ITALY'S NEW HIGHWAY. FLUCTUATING VALUE.

A Great Motor Road.

Italy has begun the construction of a road which will be the first in all the world to be built for the exclusive use of motor vehicles.

It will be 86 kilometres long, will run from Milan to the Italian lakes and connect with the Alpine roads beyond, and it is firmly intended to finish the construction this year.

It will have a tarred cement surface, dustless and impervious to rain; will be 10 metres wide and have a 2-metre-wide track on either side for the use of push-cyclists. The main road will carry only motor vehicles, cars, lorries, and motor cycles, and no other form of traffic than motor will be allowed on the road.

The construction is being undertaken by a newly-founded company, the financial difficulties which have for long stood in the way of the contemplated scheme having been overcome largely with the good will and interest of Signor Mussolini, who is himself a keen motorist. The cost is estimated at 60,000,000 lire (present rate of exchange being about 90 lire to the £), and the intention is to derive an income from tolls to be imposed on motorists using the road, an average toll of 12 lire per vehicle being the intended rate.

This is certainly reasonable enough, and it is anticipated that there are few motorists making the journey between the lakes and Milan who will not gladly pay this amount (say 2s. 6d. at rate of exchange) for the pleasure of driving on a wide, good-surfaced road with only two curves in its whole length of 86 kilometres, and no towns or villages on the way to pull up the speed-man.

TWO THOUSAND A DAY.

Judging from the motor traffic of recent years, it is fully expected that at least 2,000 motors a day will use the new road and pay toll, so that with a gross income of some 8,000,000 lire a year the road should prove a profitable undertaking. Altogether, apart from its money-making possibilities, however, the road cannot fail to confer great benefits on the very important industrial district it passes through and the manufacturing towns past which it will run.

It was only last year that the scheme was seriously considered at a meeting of the Italian Touring Club in Milan, and this club, the Touring Club, and the head of a firm of road-making engineers are largely responsible for the enterprise, and for arousing the interest and enlisting the support of Signor Mussolini.

An agreement has been formed with the Government, under which they undertake to provide a subsidy of one and a half million lire a year for 50 years in the event of the profits not being enough to provide interest and the extinguishing of the bonds, and although it is not

A Damaged Chinese Picture.

In the King's Bench Division before the Lord Chief Justice, on January 17, Mr. Charles Hartnell Sinclair, of 22, Sussex Gardens, Hyde Park, W., sought to recover from Messrs. Yamataka and Co., Ltd., Chinese and Japanese antique dealers, of New Bond Street, London, damages for injury to a picture owing to alleged negligence of the defendants' agent. The defendants denied that their agent was negligent.

Mr. Charles K.C., in opening the case, said that the picture was painted in 1550 on very fine and delicate silk fabric. It was called "The Old Man's Paradise," and was valued at £450. The plaintiff bought the picture with a number of other Chinese antiques some years ago. As he wished to sell the articles, he got into touch with the defendants, who sent Mr. Sugano, their expert, to examine them. The picture was about 7 ft. long and 6 ft. wide, with rollers at each end. Mr. Sugano examined it at Mr. Sinclair's flat, instead of unrolling it on the floor, he laid it on a small table. During the examination Mr. Sugano dropped one end of the picture, and it was ripped by the sharp edge of the table and was irretrievably spoiled. Instead of being worth £450, it was now worth more than £25. When asked what he was going to do to repay the plaintiff for the damage, Mr. Sugano simply said that he was sorry.

After hearing evidence from both sides, the Judge held that the defendants were liable for the negligence of Mr. Sugano. The value of the picture, he said, rested between the fastidious pessimism of the collectors called for the defendants and the rosy optimism of the dealers called for the plaintiff. He assessed the value at £40, and gave judgment for the plaintiff for that amount, with costs.

expected that any part of this subsidy will be required, the Government security gives the bonds an assured standing, and will encourage their taking up by local authorities through whose districts the road will pass and whose communities will benefit by it.

The whole scheme would appear to be built on the soundest possible basis, and it may well be asked whether there could not be initiated here some similar schemes which would provide keen motorists with exclusively motor roads at little or no cost to the country, and with the additional advantage of providing good employment for great numbers of workers.

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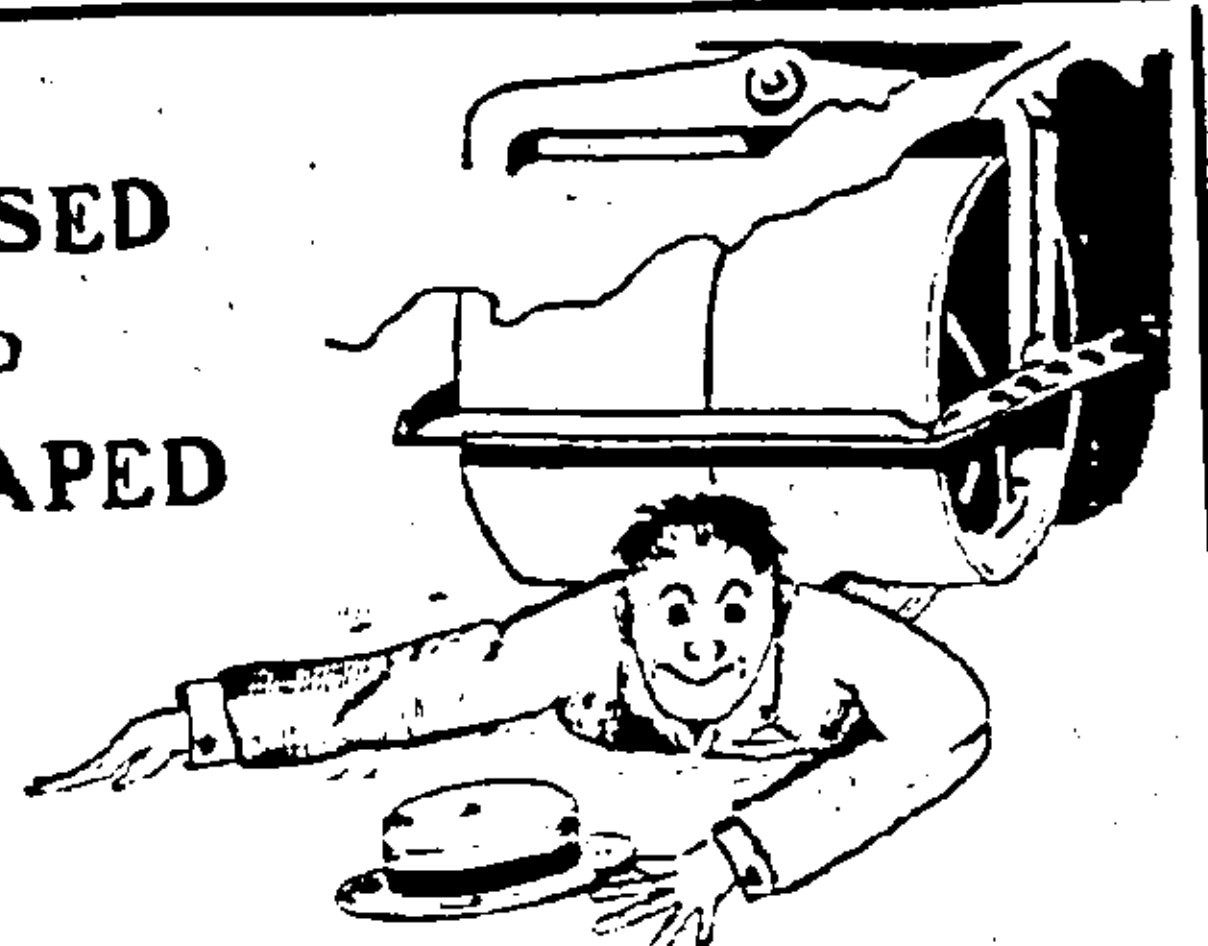


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P. TESTER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1923.

NOTICE.

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The entrance for Members and those holding Tickets for the Members Enclosure will be at the Middle Gate.

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H. BIRKETT, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, February 22nd 1923.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1923.

February 28th, March 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

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H. BIRKETT, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 14th 1923.

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By Order of the Committee. J. W. KEW, Secretary.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE Final Dividend declared for the year ending 31st December 1922, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is Payable on and after 25th day of February 1923, at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors. A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1923.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 6th day of March, to Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1923, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

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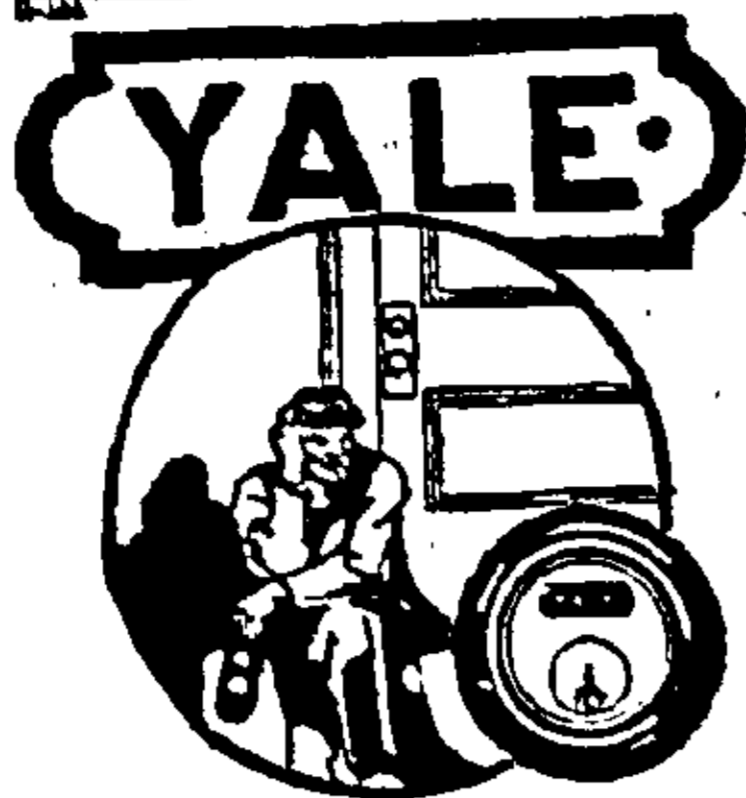
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BIRTHS.

ROBINSON.—On February 23, 1923, at "Deepdene," Snarebrook, Essex, to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Robinson (late of Hongkong), a son.

FULLER.—On February 24, 1923, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Fuller, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

COULING-WINGATE.—On December 22, 1922, at Grange United Free Church, Edinburgh, by the Rev. Dr. Ewing, M.C., Arthur Vivian, only son of the late Samuel Couling, of Shanghai, and Mrs. Couling, to Mary, youngest daughter of Sir James Lawton Wingate, P.R.S.A., and Lady Wingate, 33 Mansion House Road, Edinburgh.

DEATHS.

BURT.—Harold Tetley, only son of Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Burt, of E. B. M., Tsinan (by cable), aged 35.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 1st March, 1923.

A WORLD OASIS.

It is something of a relief to find, among the cables relating to racial antagonisms, disagreements, and other after-effects of the war, an item drawing attention to the unique Government of Sarawak. In that strip of territory in the island of Borneo we have what is practically a model State, and conditions of life that place the inhabitants amongst the most contented people in the world, so that they are probably the envy of not a few more civilised nations. If the inhabitants are ignorant so far as modern knowledge is concerned, all the better, for they are proof of the contention that ignorance can be bliss when it applies to a simple people, whose mode of life has not been disturbed by zealous, but often ill-advised, reformers. The whole credit for this ideal state of affairs belongs to the Brookes, the line of white Rajahs, who have kept intact the tradition of good government first introduced by the pioneer of their house. The life story of the first white ruler is well known, and is one to make us proud of our race. The primary rule of conduct set by the first Rajah Brooke was that the country was to be developed for the good of the people, and this is really the secret of the success that has been achieved. In successful government over a tropical people by an alien race, it is essential that the confidence and respect of the inhabitants be secured, and if possible their affection as well, and all these

essentials have been obtained in Sarawak. The Rajahs have been jealous of the people's rights, and at the same time have given them opportunities for progress and prosperity. Above all, no attempts at exploitation of the inhabitants by outside interests have been tolerated.

It is as well to lay stress on that last point. For some years now there have been attempts to override the benign Brooke policy, and we believe there have frequent and insidious suggestions by interested parties that the white Rajah system is an anomaly and the country should be taken properly under the wing of the Colonial Office. Fortunately for the natives of the place, perhaps, Sarawak has so far escaped this fate, for we have no doubt that, as a Crown Colony pure and simple, there would be no bar to the entry of ruthless capitalism. However much such enterprise would benefit the capitalists themselves, it would not necessarily be of unalloyed benefit to the people of the country. At any rate, the present form of government is a success, and it would be a pity to try experiments that might fail. Mr. Charles Hose, who has lectured on the country before the Royal Colonial Institute, comes of a distinguished family with a long connection with Sarawak, and his views carry weight. As he stated, public opinion at home is necessary to enable the Brooke system to be carried on, and we trust that public opinion will continue to realise the wisdom of letting well alone where a Government has achieved success, no matter what axe-grinders might at any time have to say on the subject.

Race "Luck."

"Only just one number off it." We wonder how many times that phrase was used on the Race-course yesterday, and how often it will be heard from disappointed punters during the remaining days of the Races? For just as many times as the number of tickets drawing ponies, we suppose. But it's small comfort being "one off," anyhow—in these matters, a miss is as good as a mile. All the same, some folk appear to derive a somewhat grim satisfaction from the fact of being so near the coveted prize. Then there are the people who perceive ill-luck in the fact that their ticket numbers reversed, or in some other order, have won prizes whilst theirs have not. Ticket No. 819, for example, yesterday brought in a nice little sum of over two thousand dollars for somebody, whilst No. 198 won a modest \$25. We can well imagine what the holders of Ticket Nos. 891, 918 and 189 said when they saw the winning number go up. There are all sorts of superstitions abroad as to the combinations of numbers likely to win. One man we know of scoffed at the idea of the same number twice repeated ever getting a prize; yet yesterday No. 111 managed to draw a pony. The fact of the matter, of course, is that any one number is just as good as any other—it's all a matter of pure chance. Only some people appear to be rather luckier than others.

Debt.

We see an American paper has pointed out that Great Britain's debt, mostly incurred during the war, totals nearly 37,307 million dollars, whilst America's interest-bearing national debt is only 22,564 million dollars, and she has over two and a half times as many population as Britain, for shouldering the debt. It then points out that if every American paid out \$200, the whole of the U.S. National Debt could be wiped out overnight. That won't be done, of course, but it would no doubt be the quickest and cheapest way to get rid of the burden. For one thing, it would save interest payments and the huge cost of the army or tax officials. For a nation, as for an individual, the most important economic problem is to get out of debt and stay out.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS AS EASY TO GROW FOOLISH AS WE GROW OLDER AS IT IS TO GROW WISER.—Mr. H. G. Gardiner.

A Chinese was drowned yesterday by falling off the Samshui ferry launch.

The Shanghai A.D.C. has just produced Barrie's "What Every Woman Knows."

Capt. G. C. Dickens, the present commander of H.M.S. Carlisle, is a grandson of the famous novelist.

Yesterday's health return shows one case each of plague and diphtheria. Both were Chinese.

There was a collision between two motor cars at Bonham Road near St. John's Hall yesterday. No one was injured.

There will be no cinematograph display for children at the Helena May Institute to-morrow, Friday, March 2nd, as previously arranged.

A fractured leg was sustained by a Chinese coolie employed at the Dairy Farm as the result of being knocked down on the road by a motor car in which Mr. MacMurray was travelling.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France is expected here soon on a round-the-world tour with 840 passengers. The Canadian liner Samaria with another tourist party will be here later.

A Chinese woman yesterday jumped into the harbour from the prays in an attempt to take her life. She was rescued and gave the explanation that she was a concubine and had been ill-treated by her husband's first wife.

The Swallow Lace Company, a new firm who have taken premises at 17a, Queen's Road Central, have a fine display of silk and linen fabrics and also some excellent examples of Chinese weaving and painting. Mr. Kwang Eng Lee, who is an authority on Chinese works of art and the manager of the firm, informs us that he intends to specialise in various lines, particulars of which appear in our advertising columns.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

Matches for Saturday.

(BY "QUIZ")

The matches for Saturday are as follows:

League: Division I.

King's v. Durban.—Sookunpoo ground.

Hawkins v. Kowloon.—Railway ground, Kowloon.

League: Division II.

Hawkins v. S. China "B."—Sookunpoo "B" ground.

Kowloon v. Auxiliaries.—Railway ground, Kowloon.

King's v. Ambrose.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.

Only five games are down for decision this week owing to the Races. At Sookunpoo, the King's are at home to the Durban, and a good game should be seen. The sailors have a very good attack, but their defence is very weak. The soldiers should win this match of recent form, but they leave nothing to chance, for Darlison is a very strong forward and can take up any chances that comes his way. A win for the King's would make their position at the head of the League table almost certain.

The Hawkins play their return match with Kowloon on the railway ground, and, on the recent form shown by the civilians, they should take the points. The Hawkins will be out to win, for they are still in the running for second place. They will not be at full strength, owing to injuries received while at Macau.

In the Junior Division, the game between the Hawkins and South China "B" will be evenly contested. This game will have bearing on the division championship as far as the Hawkins are

BILLIARDS.

Canton Customs Club Final.

On Tuesday last, Mr. W. Read met Mr. W. Nash in the Canton Customs Club Billiards Handicap Final, Mr. Read playing 500 to Nash's 390.

Both players made a very bad beginning, until Mr. Nash got a break of 21. This altered the play considerably and was followed by breaks of 14, 13, 14, 10, 22 and 11. Mr. Read forged ahead and kept the lead after this making breaks of 19, 31, 11, 13, 24, 11, 13, 23, 17, 10, 12, 17, 25, and 11, and he finished at 500 with a break of 23. Mr. Nash's score at the close was 314.

The following are the winners.—Mr. W. Read, 1st; Mr. W. Nash, 2nd; Mr. R. Patterson, 3rd. Mr. Read also won the highest break prize with a 43.

HONGKONG HOTEL ROOF GARDEN.

Opened Last Night.

The latest addition to the many attractions provided by the Hongkong Hotel Company—the roof garden and ball room—was opened last night, when a large number of people attended the special dance which had been arranged in celebration of the event.

For many months past now, there has been a great deal of activity on the fourth floor at the Pedder Street—Queen's Road corner of the hotel, but the secrecy of the scheme was well preserved, with the result that guests at last night's function arrived prepared for a surprise. In that they were not disappointed, for upon stepping out of the lift a really beautiful scene was unfolded. A winter garden enclosed in green trellis work, at the back of which multi-coloured lights glow through thick glass—opens into the ball room, the lavishly decorated and lighting of which produce a charming effect. Outside, a tiled garden promenade gives an old-world touch, and should prove a popular rendezvous during the hot months.

The lighting, which is certainly the most artistic ever seen in Hongkong, is greatly to the credit of the Hotel's electrical department, which, under the supervision of Mr. Orchard, designed and executed the work.

CANTON FINANCES.

Still Searching for Funds.

The financial situation is causing some concern in Canton according to advices received from a correspondent there. It is reported that the Civil Governor, in view of the need of financial aid, has agreed to comply with the request made by a representative of the British China Loan Syndicate to continue negotiations regarding the loan which was concluded by the former Governor for the improvement of the currency and municipal enterprises.

The Civil Governor has requested the immediate payment of sums in order to meet the cost of prisoners' meals, and also the wages of the police, but the Provincial Treasurer has intimated that he has not received a single cash since his assumption of office, and in the circumstances the officials concerned must evolve means of meeting the expenses, the deficiency to be made good as soon as the financial situation has improved.

All the police officials, forty-one in number, have jointly tendered their resignations and requested payment of wages for the force for January and February as they (the officials) are responsible therefore.

The Government is said to have decided to call a general meeting of merchants and bankers to deal with the question of issuing new banknotes.

concerned, for a defeat will place them below the King's. They must win if they are to have a chance for the championship. South China "B" are practically out of the running, owing to their defeat by the King's last week.

The King's are due to meet the Ambrose at Sookunpoo and the soldiers are expected to win. Kowloon meet the Auxiliaries on the railway ground at Kowloon, and the home team should win.

CARTER AT THEATRE ROYAL.

An Evening of Surprises.

Carter, the great magician, and Miss Evelyn Maxwell, the pey-chio wonder, lived up to the reputation they have gained for themselves, at the Theatre Royal last night. It was the cleverest show of this description that Hongkong has seen for a very long time.

Carter is an illusionist with a personality and a ready wit, and his tricks were interspersed with touches of humour responsible for many a hearty laugh. He is a conjuror who gets the audience with him. He gets them to help with his illusions, he holds their interest from start to finish, and springs surprise after surprise, each even more unbelievable than the one preceding it.

The magician "got 'em guessing" from the moment the curtain went up and kept the house in wonderment till the National Anthem brought a rapturous good entertainment to a close. Commencing with the more simple tricks, he became more and more mystifying as he went on.

A lady member of the audience was given a playing card. She tore it into little pieces, keeping a corner in her possession. The remainder she placed in Carter's magic pistol. The illusionist, standing in the stalls, fired the "weapon" at a hat on the stage, and there was the card pinned on to it, with the corner missing. Carter took the piece the lady had kept and this fitted the corner perfectly and made up the complete card.

Carter has a wonderful bottle. He goes amongst the audience, with it, and they have only to name their refreshment and Carter pours it out. Brandy, whisky, port, sherry, minerals, or even *aqua pura*, it matters not. Carter can produce them all from that bottle, and, to prove it, gives the liquids to the bewildered on-lookers to taste. At the conclusion of the trick he breaks the bottle, and—but to give away the surprise would spoil the effect of the trick. It is sufficient to say that those who go along to the show will get a big surprise when they see it done.

Sawing the live woman in half is one of Carter's best. Two boxes, with sides which open, are placed on two tables, which are connected. The lady goes into the two boxes, which by this method have been made into one, her head and feet being visible to the audience. A large saw is passed between the boxes and tables, apparently sawing the woman in two parts. To "prove" that it has been done the two tables, with the boxes on, are separated. The sides are let down and the audience is shown the two halves of the lady. The tables and boxes are again opened and the lady gets out unharmed. It is certainly a wonderful achievement as he allows a lady member of the audience to go on the stage and satisfy herself that the woman is always there.

Carter's piece de resistance is the trick entitled "The Lion's Bride." This is one of the biggest surprises of the evening, and it would be unfair to anticipate it, so it shall be left at that.

The entertainment owes a great deal to Miss Evelyn Maxwell. The audience write questions on pieces of paper, which they retain in their possession. Miss Maxwell, who does not even see the questions, gives the answers from the stage. Mostly she deals with them seriously, but she has a pretty turn of wit, which she brings out on occasions. A gentleman last night wanted to know when he was going to get married. "Never, if you don't ask her," was the reply, and an equally clever retort was given. The gentleman who wanted to know if his sweetheart would ever become his wife. "It's no use asking me," said Miss Maxwell, "you want to ask your sweetheart that."

Miss Maxwell, blindfolded on the stage, can tell any article members of the audience take out of their pockets. She can tell the number of a banknote, a person's age, where they come from, where they are going; in fact there seems no limit to her powers.

The above are only a few of the wonders performed by Carter and Miss Maxwell. It is a show that can be thoroughly recommended to please the most critical. It will be presented at the Theatre Royal to-night.

CRIMES BY WOMEN.

Wives No Longer in Terror of Husbands.

(Reuter's Service.)
(Continued from Page 1.)

London, February 28.
The House of Lords passed the second reading of a Bill introduced by the Lord Chancellor, designed to abolish the ancient legal presumption that a wife is acting under her husband's coercion when she commits a crime in his presence. The subject is topical owing to the frequency with which women have been acquitted in recent trials in which the husband and wife were charged with a joint offence, provoking criticism from Judges as regards the obsolescence of the doctrine.

Viscount Cave to-day contended that it was certainly untrue to-day, if it ever had been, that every wife went in terror of her husband and would commit any crime under his influence.

Lord Buckmaster dissented, holding that human nature had not changed because women had been granted the vote, and there was no reason to alter a legal presumption which had existed for eleven hundred years.

DARLINGTON BY-ELECTION.

London, February 28.
The by-election at Darlington, necessitated by the elevation of the Right Hon. H. Pike Pease to the Peerage resulted as follows:—
Alderman Pease (Conservative) 14,684.
Mr. W. Sherwood (Labour) 11,251.
At the General Election, the figures were:—Right Hon. H. Pike Pease (Conservative) 13,256; Mr. W. Sherwood (Labour), 9,048; Mr. T. Crooks (Liberal), 4,420.

SILVER STABILISATION.

Washington, February 28.
The Senate has ratified and sent to the House of Representatives a resolution authorising an enquiry into the cause of decreased gold and silver production and the effects thereof on commerce and industry; at the same time authorising the President to negotiate with foreign governments with a view to the stabilisation and wider use of silver in exchange.

BOARD OF TRADE OFFICIAL'S NEW POST.

London, February 28.
A noteworthy step has been taken by Mr. E. F. Wise, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trade, who has resigned from the Civil Service and joined the Central Union of the Russian Co-operative Societies as Economic Adviser and Director of the London office of the Russian co-operative organisations.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL KILLED.

Washington, February 28.
The Senate has killed the Ship Subsidy Bill.
After rejecting a proposal by 48 votes to 36 to kill the Ship Subsidy Bill by recommending it to the Committee, the Senate accomplished the same result, voting 63 to 7 to table the Bill and take up other legislation.

IRON & STEEL TRADE IMPROVING.

London, February 28.
After closing down for two years, Palmer's iron and steel works at Jarrow have resumed operations.
Scottish steelmakers have advanced the prices of boiler plates, ship plates, etc., an average of 15 per cent.

RESTRICTED COTTON SPINNING.

London, February 28.
Owing to the deplorable state of trade in the American section, the Master Cottonspinners' Federation has recommended its members to curtail production in March by fifty per cent.

GOOD FOR AUSTRIA.

Vienna, February 28.
Owing to the situation in the Ruhr, Austrian iron and steel works are flooded with foreign orders and export prices are advancing daily.

TROOP REDUCTIONS IN INDIA.

Delhi, February 28.
It is reliably learned that substantial reductions are contemplated in the present strength of the British and Indian troops in India.

THEIR MAJESTIES AND JAPAN'S AMBASSADOR.

London, February 28.
Their Majesties to-day had lunch with Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Ambassador.

DEBT FUNDING BILL SIGNED.

Washington, February 28.
President Harding has signed the British Debt Funding Bill.

AMERICAN POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Washington, February 28.
Senator Harry New has been appointed Postmaster-General.

AMERICAN HONGKONG.

Seeing the Sights.

A stray visitor to Hongkong to-day might almost think he was under the Stars and Stripes rather than of the Union Jack. The streets were fairly full of Americans at this season, the number was augmented this morning by the arrival of the Resolute, bringing some four hundred and sixty tourists from the land of liberty, and one could not go many paces without encountering some of our cousins from the other side of the Pacific.

The Hongkong Hotel was full of them; they were to be seen, wearing the little round yellow badges of the Raymond, Whitcomb Company, in Queen's Road, Des Voeux Road, Ice House Street, etc.

The Resolute is spending three days in port, during which time the tourists, divided into parties, will visit the Peak, Repulse Bay, Canton and Macao, A number

went up the Peak this morning and a party are going round the island this afternoon. Some are attending the Races.

They have not had much time to look round yet, but with what they have seen so far they are very much impressed. One of them told a *Telegraph* reporter this morning that they were very much struck by the scenery and the cleanliness of the city.

Curio sellers were busy displaying their wares on the quay alongside which the Resolute is berthed when a newspaperman went along. The usual brass, cloisonne, wood carving, lacquer and other examples of Chinese art were temptingly exposed to view, and one young man was even trying to dispose of parrots and canaries.

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TERRIFIC GALE IN ATLANTIC.

Thrilling Stories of Adventures.

(British Official Wireless Press.)

Leafell, March 1.
A terrific hurricane in the Atlantic with a wind velocity of 120 miles an hour is reported by the American liner President Arthur, which has arrived at Plymouth.
The Cunard liner Berengaria, which arrived off the Isle of Wight yesterday morning, was unable to reach Southampton harbour until this morning.
Passengers and their luggage were landed by powerful ocean-going tugs, which fought their way in the teeth of the gale.
Mystery surrounds the fate of the crew of a steamer who reported by wireless yesterday that they were abandoning ship in their own boats 60 miles off the Cornish coast.

Two lifeboats from Padrow returned to day after a fruitless day and night search for the crew in very rough weather.

The Lowestoft steam trawler Richmond landed this morning six of the crew of a British cargo steamer picked up near the Borkum lightship in the early morning.

The men told a thrilling story of their adventures.
A collision occurred in a thick fog.

While 12 of the crew got out the port lifeboat these six men launched the starboard lifeboat. They rowed about for 24 hours, when they had to give up owing to exhaustion.

When rescued they were lying semi-conscious in the boat, which was half-filled with water, and were suffering greatly from their experiences.

The other 12 men were picked up by a French steamer.

Stormy Weather At Home.

Leafell, March 1.

The British Isles have experienced during the last two days violent gales and heavy rains. The latter have caused numerous floods in all parts of the country. — *Courtesy "Daily Bulletin."*

HOME FOOTBALL.

Cup-tie and League Results.

London, Feb. 28th.—Re-play in the English Cup Competition resulted as follows:—Bolton 1, Huddersfield 0; Southampton 1, Bury 0.

In the English League (First Division) Newcastle beat Cardiff by 3 to 1, and Everton beat Middlesbrough by 5 to 3.

In the Scottish cup competition, Dundee and Third Lanark played a goal-less draw in their re-play.

In the Scottish League, Partick Thistle beat Motherwell by 3 to 0; the Hibernians beat Hamilton by 7 to 2, whilst Aberdeen and Falkirk drew, each scoring a goal.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

The 1915 Treaty.

Peking, Feb. 28th.—It is reliably reported that the Chinese Government to-day sent a message to the Japanese Legation asking the Japanese Government to discuss the 1915 Treaty. — *Reuter.*

CHINESE POLITICS.

No Quorum.

Peking, Feb. 28th.—To-day's meeting of Parliament was awaited with considerable interest. There was, however, no quorum present. — *Reuter.*

A PUZZLE A DAY.

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Fill in the stars in the above square, and obtain four more words, reading across and from top to bottom, just as the word "Royal" does. One completed square is given below:

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There are two other good solutions. Can you puzzle one out? Yesterday's answer: The date on the replaced coronation was 1881, which appeared just the same, even though the stone was reset upside down.

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That housing conditions are worse at present than at any time since the war was the substance of a resolution passed by

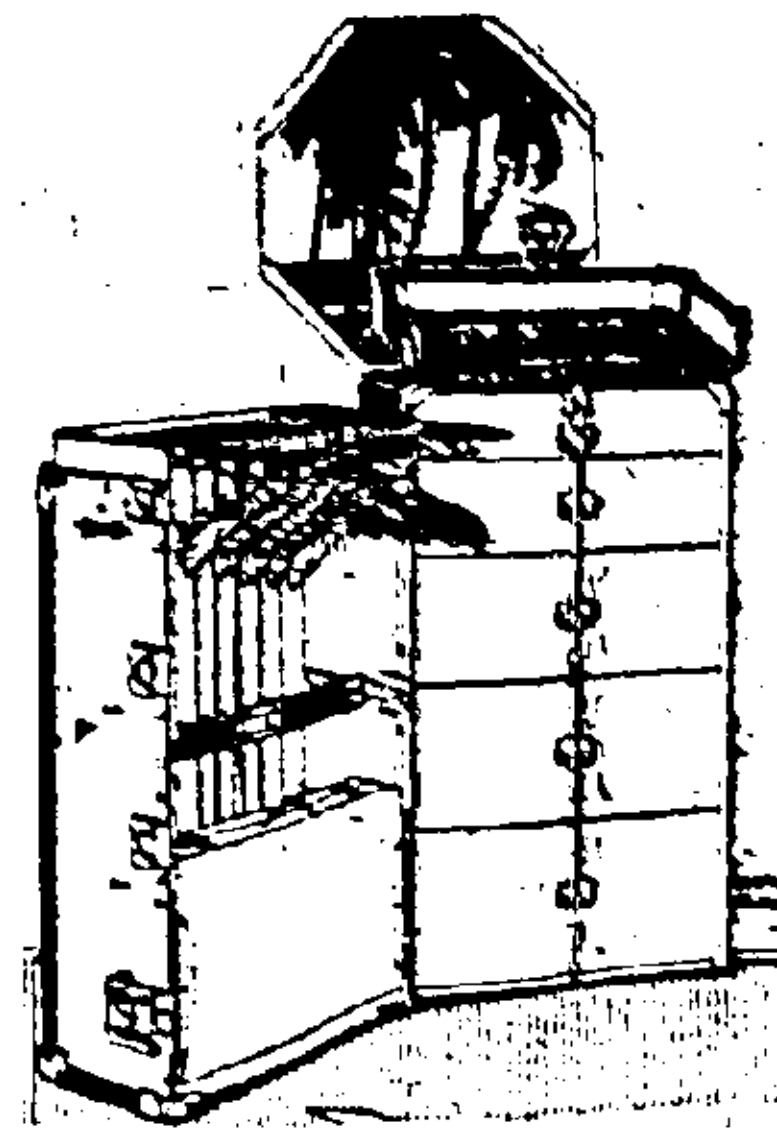
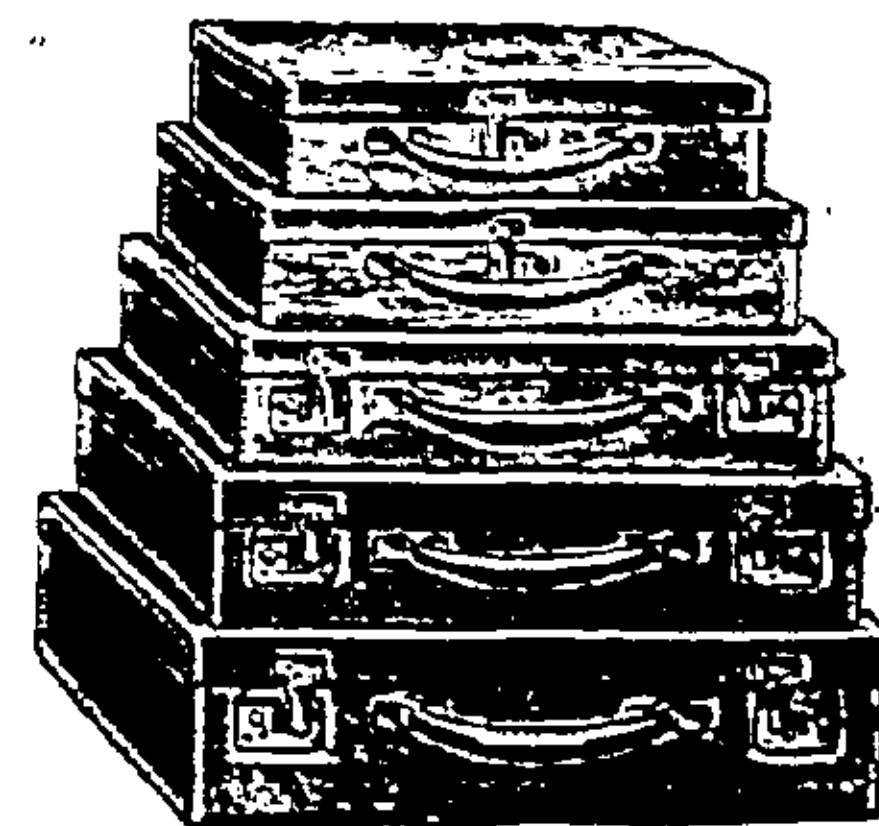
a Scottish Housing Congress at Glasgow.

It was stated that in Glasgow 13,000 houses had been condemned as unfit for habitation. Marriages numbered 10,000 yearly, and there were 22,000 written applications for houses. The best local housing committee could do was to provide 1,000 homes a year.

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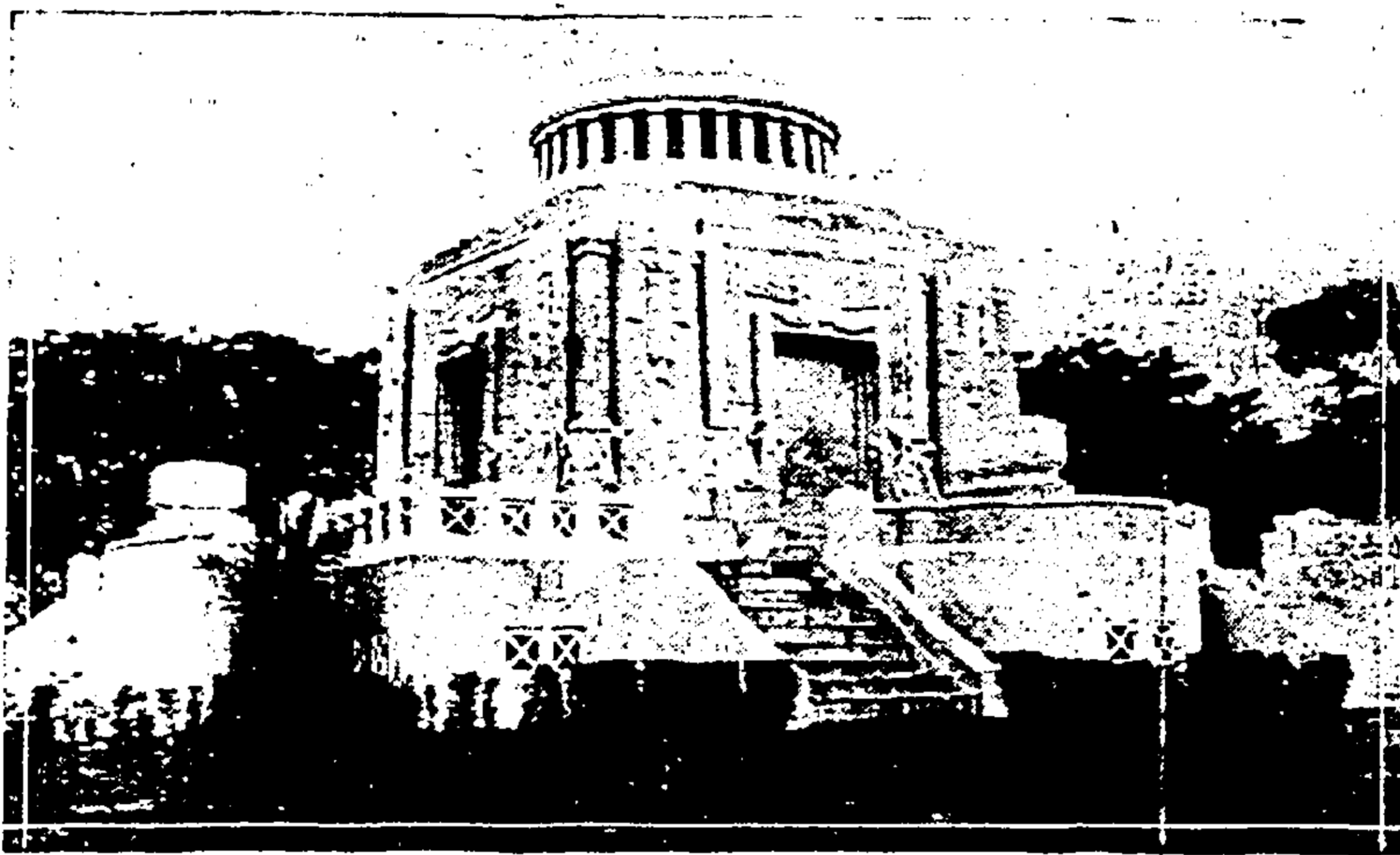
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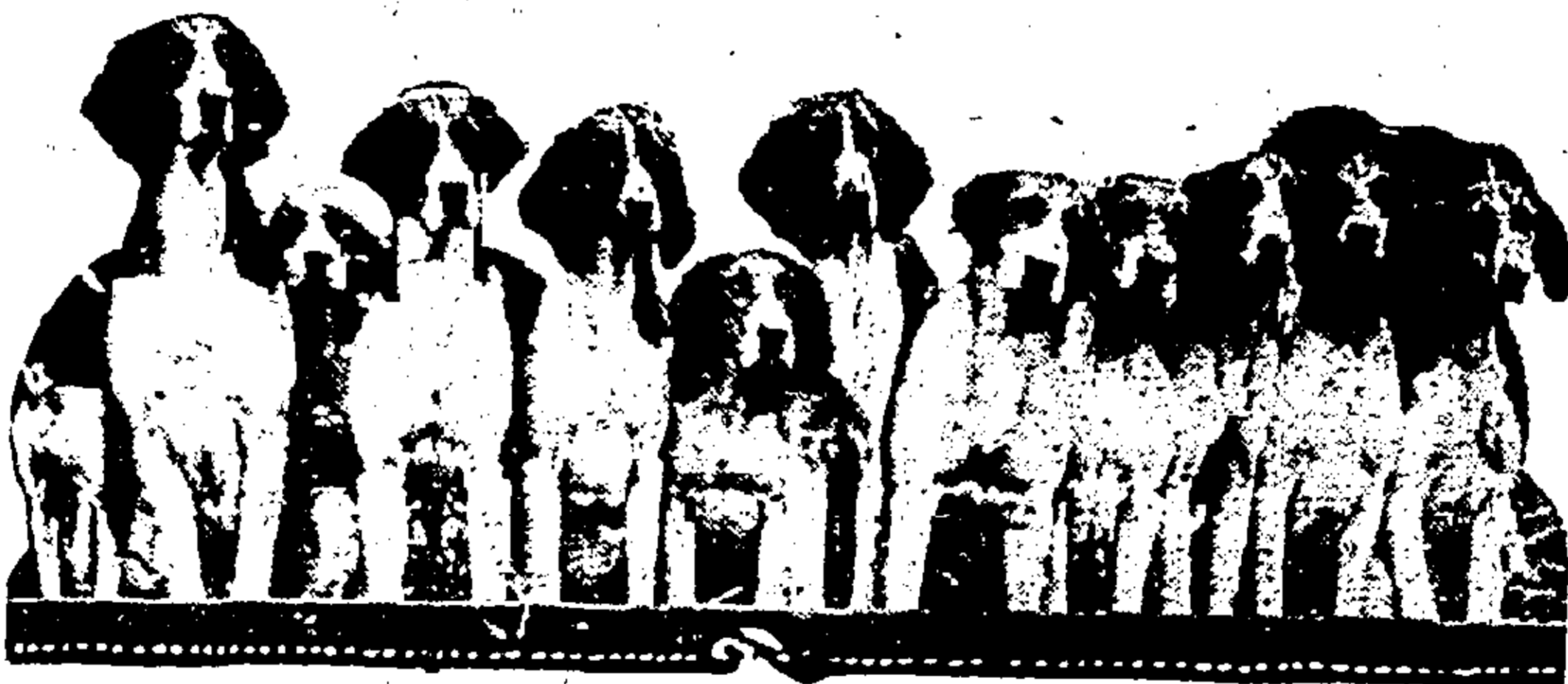
Warwick, heavily backed favourite in the Hurst Park (England) races, is shown here falling after hitting a hurdle. Moran, taking the tumble with him, was not seriously injured.



Here is a thrilling scene at the Crawley Steeplechase, showing Major F. Scott Murray's "Gerald L." the winner, taking the water ahead of Lady Mitchellson's "Wafer."



This beautiful monument has just been finished and unveiled at Manila as a memorial to the veterans of the revolution against Spain which was going on during the Spanish-American War. It is situated on the outskirts of Manila and is regarded as one of the most beautiful and artistic soldiers' memorials ever erected.



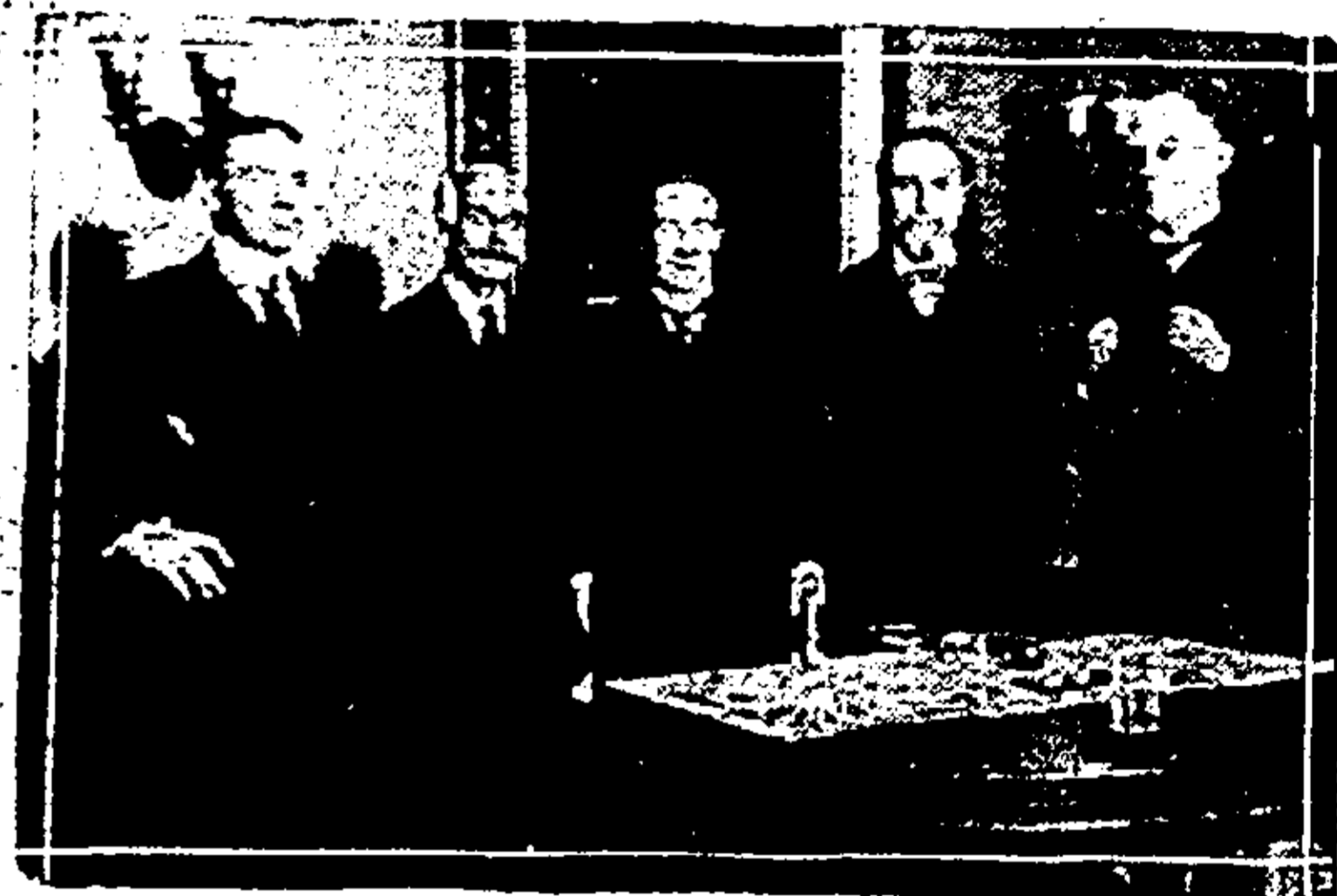
A group of foxhounds belonging to a famous English Hunt Club.



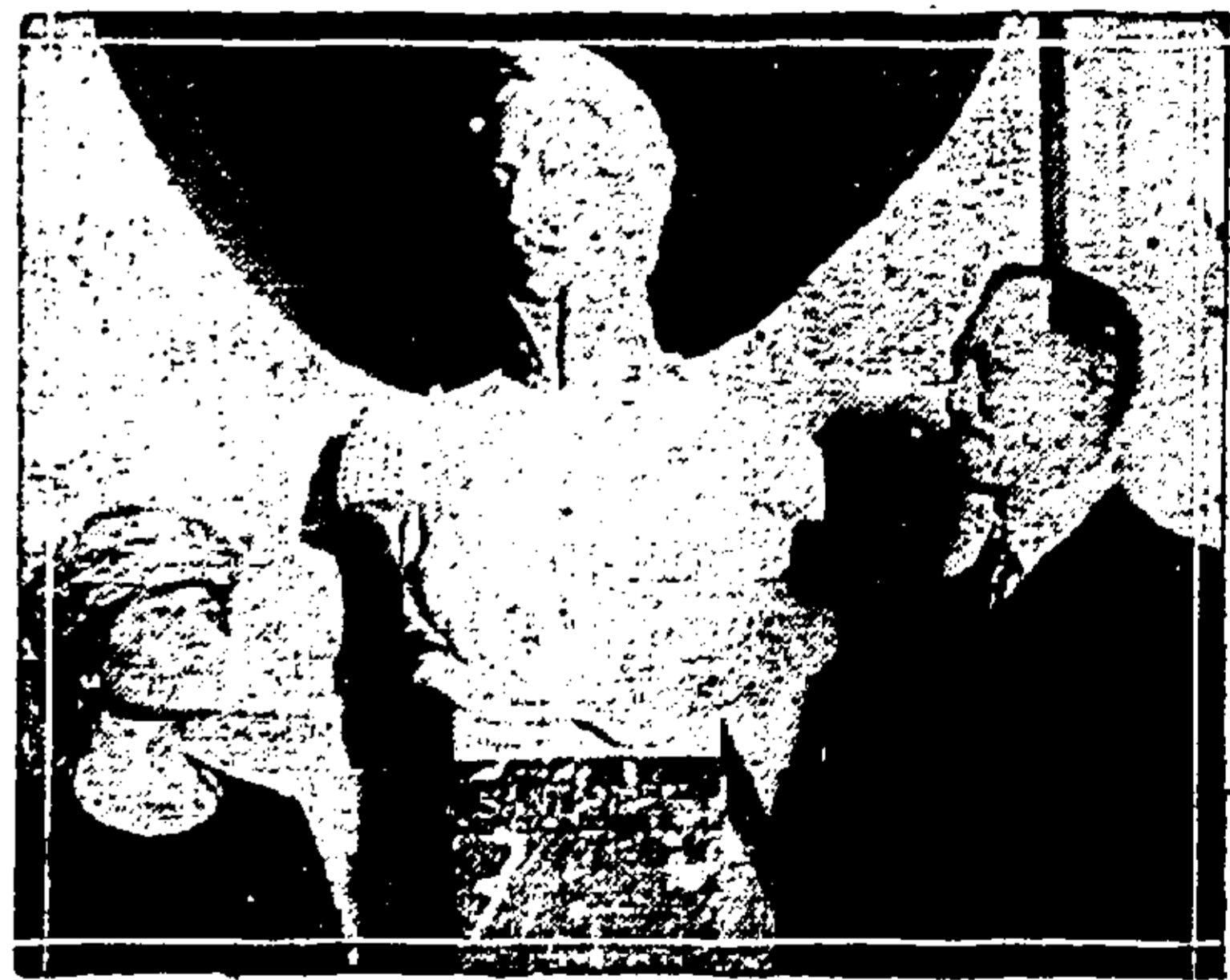
This is the most recent picture of John D. Rockefeller, the oil magnate.



Katherine Grant, 18 years old, who has been awarded the Los Angeles beauty crown by popular selection.

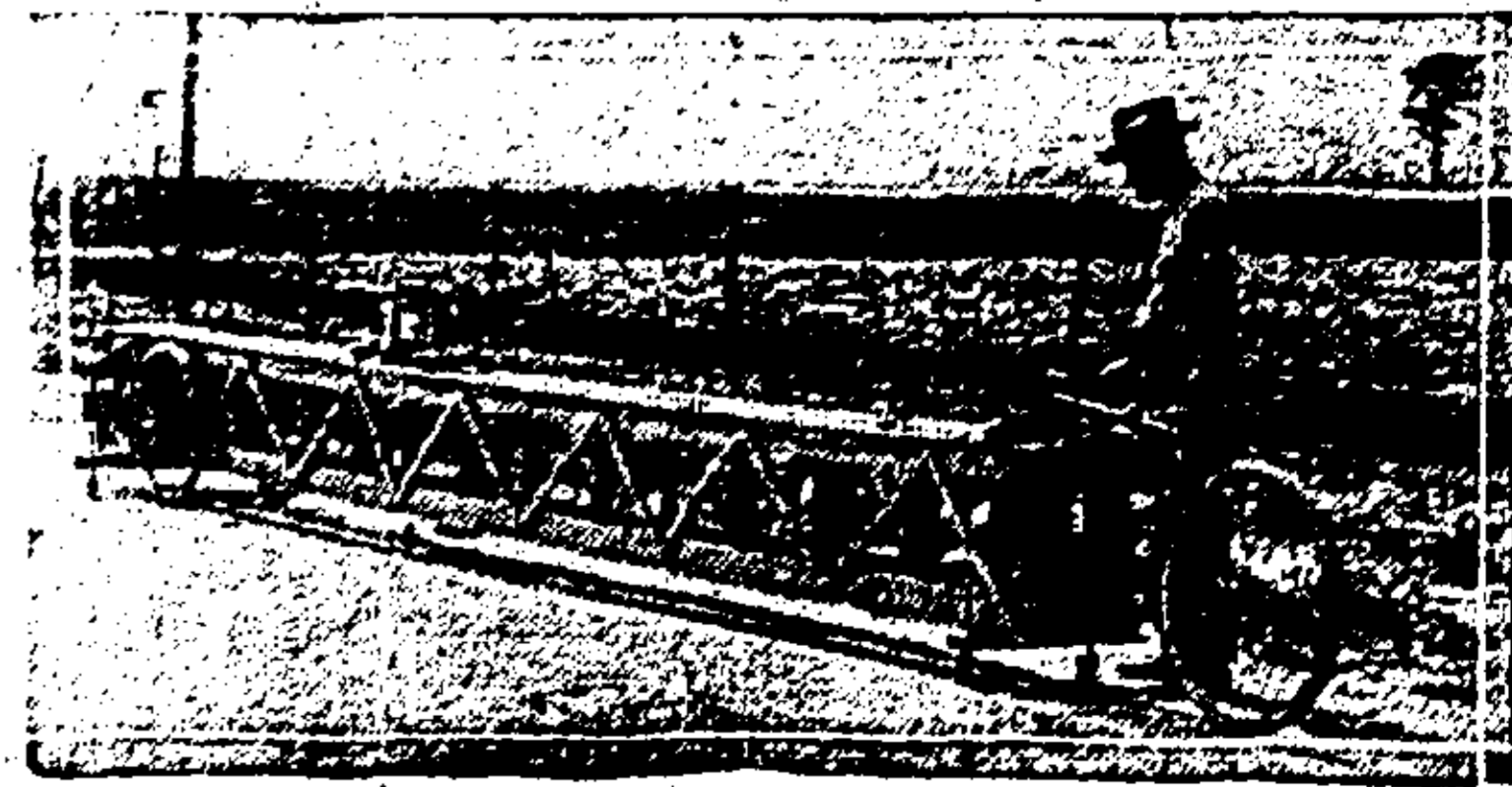


British Debt Commission in conference with United States officials. Left to right: Elliot Wadsworth, Assistant Secretary of Treasury, in Charge of Foreign Loans; Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury; Stanley Baldwin, English Minister of the Exchequer; Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, and Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador to Washington.



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Senor Enrique De Olaya and Mrs. Fred Page Tibbits, granddaughter of General Santander, who took part in the unveiling ceremonies of the Colombian hero at the Pan-American Union, Washington. The bust is that of General Santander, called the greatest patriot of the Republic of Colombia, and was presented by that nation to the Pan-American Union.



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EASTERN ITEMS.

The engagement is announced of Miss Patricia Mostyn Hoops, eldest daughter of the Hon. Dr. A. L. Hoops, Principal Civil Medical Officer, Straits Settlements, and Mr. H. Carew Hopkins, of the Chartered Bank, Singapore.

The wedding took place at St. George's Church, Penang, on February 15th, the Rev. Keppe Garmier officiating, of Mr. Charles Valentine Miles, advocate and solicitor, Singapore, to Mr. Jennie Marie Leatham, nee Mugliston, daughter of Dr. Thomas Crichton Mugliston, of Penang, retired.

A serious disturbance, alleged to have been caused by members of the Chinese Fire Brigade whereby, damage to the extent of \$20,000 was caused, took place in the Small World, an amusement resort inside the Chinese City at Shanghai, shortly after eight o'clock on the night of February 20th.

Thus the Peking Evening News: The advisors and councillors of the President's Office who have not been paid above sixteen months have demanded detention of Chu Pao-chun, who has been in charge of their salaries.

H. M. King Haakon VII. of Norway has conferred upon Mr. G. S. Jensen, a Norwegian merchant of Shanghai, the Golden Medal for Merit ("Kongens Fortjenstmedalje") in recognition of great gallantry displayed by him. The circumstances were that disregarding his own life, Mr. Jensen unhesitatingly chased and captured one of the Korean assassins in flight after the outrage on General Tanaka on March 23 last year. As may be recalled, the fugitive during his flight fired three times at Mr. Jensen, but missed.

The cable ship Colonia, owned by the Telegraphs Constructional and Maintenance Company Ltd., is due to arrive in Colombo on February 28th for the purpose of laying the more than twelve hundred miles of cable between Colombo and the Straits, the last link in a chain of direct communication between the Straits and England. The Colonia's cable ship which laid the cable from Singapore to Madras some two years ago.

News has been received from Pahang, Malay States, of the death from drowning at a picnic of Mr. D. M. Barry, Chief Police Officer.

Mr. A. W. Gore, who has thrice won the English Lawn Tennis Championships, arrived in Singapore on the Fushimi Maru on February 20th and made arrangements to play an exhibition game on February 21st. Partnered by D. H. Kleinman he was to meet Dean and Sinclair in a doubles match. He was also to play Dean, the S.C.C. champion, in a game of singles on February 23rd.

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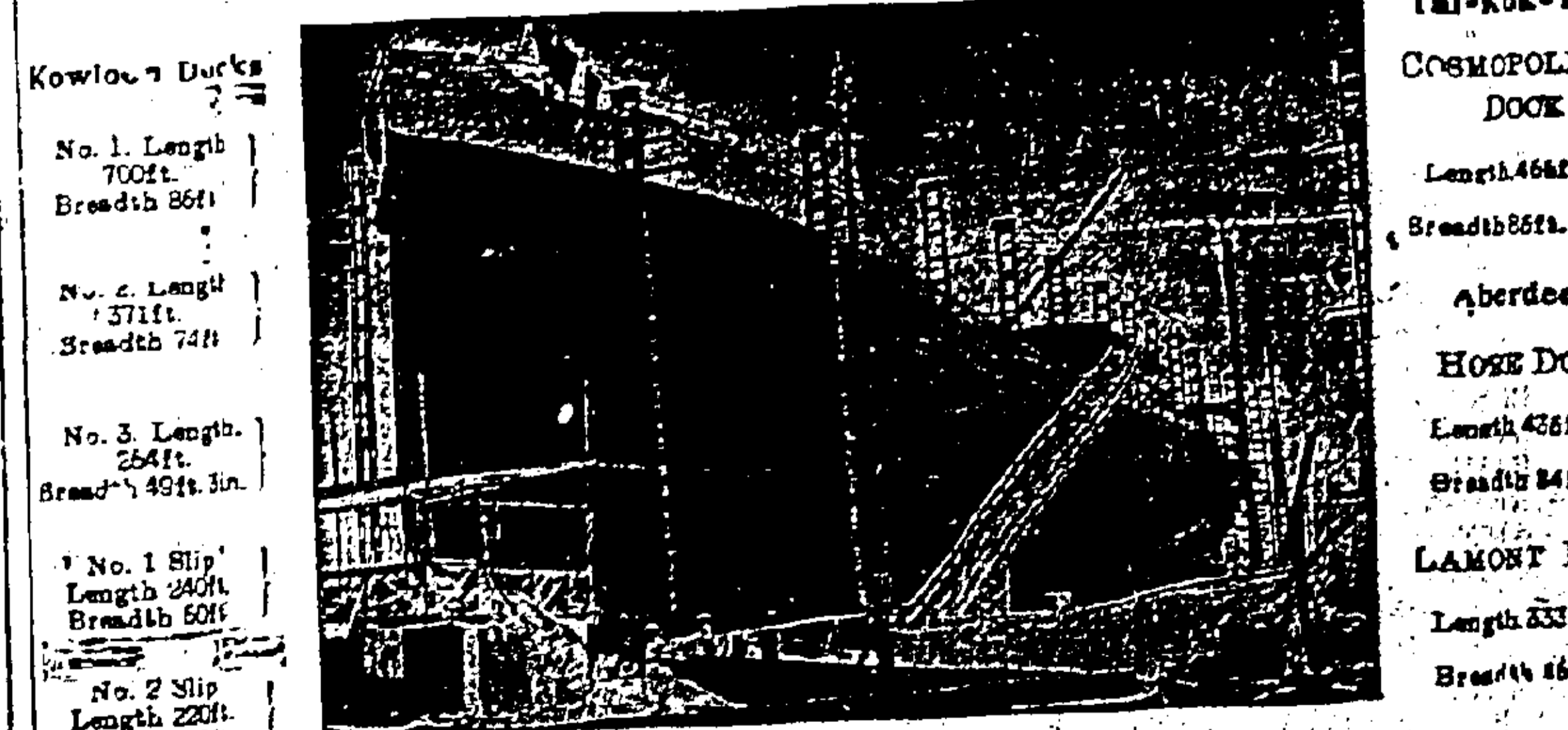
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SHANGHAI via Swatow Kwongsang	Thurs.	8th Mar. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN via Hingsang	Tues.	13th Mar. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta via Hosang	Wed.	14th Mar. at 3 p.m.
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NEW DISEASE.

Three Victims at Lister Institute.

A new mystery microbe called "Bacillus tularensis" got out of hand at the Lister Institute recently and infected three of the occupants with "tularemia," the first known British case.

Happily the three victims have recovered, but it has been deemed inadvisable to continue propagation of this dangerous organism in the National collection.

The facts of this infection were related to a *Daily Chronicle* representative by Dr. Schutz, one of the victims, who explained the illnesses which the council record with great regret.

At the Lister Institute is housed the "microbarium" or "National Collection of Type Cultures," as it is officially called.

Dr. R. St. John-Brooks is the curator, and Miss M. Rhodes is his assistant. Their work is to receive disease cultures from all over the world, to maintain the strains, and to exchange or supply cultures to hospitals and workers on bacteria.

MICROBES IN STOCK.
All round the walls of this department are kept alive in test-tubes microbes, both harmless ones and others of the most deadly character. There is scarcely a pathogenic organism known, but what is contained in this department.

Recently an attempt was made to get a culture of an organism that has been isolated in a disease called "tularemia." This disease, said Dr. Schutz, is new to medical science and little is known about it.

It is most prevalent among animals in certain States of America, such as ground squirrels and rabbits.

In other investigations in America the *B. tularensis* was isolated and held responsible for the disease which affected farmers, particularly at the harvest period, and also rabbit-skinners.

SYMPTOMS OF THE DISEASE.
The characteristic symptoms of the disease are a low fever, from which there is a protracted and tedious recovery," said Dr. Schutz. "It is a new disease contracted in some way by human beings from animals. No specific is known for it; there have been some deaths among human beings, but it is scarcely ever fatal."

"How the infection occurred at the Lister Institute is the mystery. Besides myself, Dr. St. John-Brooks and his assistant took it, and it has been found that in America the organism is so infectious that laboratory workers there almost invariably have caught it."

"It has been found impossible to keep a culture in a test tube, and it has to be studied from an infected animal. Whether the infection here occurred through the bite of an insect, from an infected animal, or through contact is not known. It was not through an accident or a broken test tube."

During the past year it is interesting to note that over 300 fresh cultures have been received by the department, but this is the only case known of infection.

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